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In re: Thorp et al.

Group Art Unit: 1741

Application No.: 09/932,196

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For: *ELECTRICAL DEVICES EMPLOYING MOLTEN COMPOSITIONS OF BIOMOLECULES*

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

The present Amendment is in response to the Official Action mailed July 2, 2004.

It is not believed that an extension of time and/or additional fee(s), including fees for additional claims, are required, beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. In the event, however, that an extension of time is necessary to allow consideration of this paper, such an extension is hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a). Any additional fees believed to be due in connection with this paper may be charged to our Deposit Account No. 50-0220.

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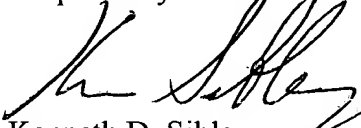
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In response to the restriction requirement, applicants hereby elect the claims of group I, claims 1-24 and 26-30, for substantive examination. Reconsideration of the restriction requirement is respectfully requested, as it is respectfully submitted that a search of the claims of group I would overlap with a search of the claims of group II (claim 25).

In response to the requirement for an election of species, applicants hereby elect the species wherein the counterion is a polyether, and the species wherein the organic polymer is a polynucleic acid. Currently claims 1-6, 8-18, 20-24 and 26-30 are readable on the elected species.

It is respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for substantive examination, which action is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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